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MISSISSIPPI HISTORIC BRIDGE SURVEY

1. Name of Bridge: Widow's Creek Bridge

2. Location

Code 021County Claiborne USGS Quadrangle St. JosephTown/vicinity Port Gibson vicinity

UTM coordinates:

Zone 15 Easting 684250 Northing 3535450Acreage less than one Owner Claiborne County

Verbal boundary description:

Includes the 13.5 by 60.4 ft. bridge over Widow's Creek on
the country road in Section 17, Township 11 North, Range 2
East

3. Description

Number of spans 1 Length overall 60.4 ft. (18.4m)

Span types:

(1) Pratt half-hip pony truss length 60.4 ft.

(2) _____ length _____

(3) _____ length _____

Truss span components:

Top chords 2 channel beams and 1 plateEnd posts 2 channel beams and 1 plateBottom chords 2 rectilinear eye-bars

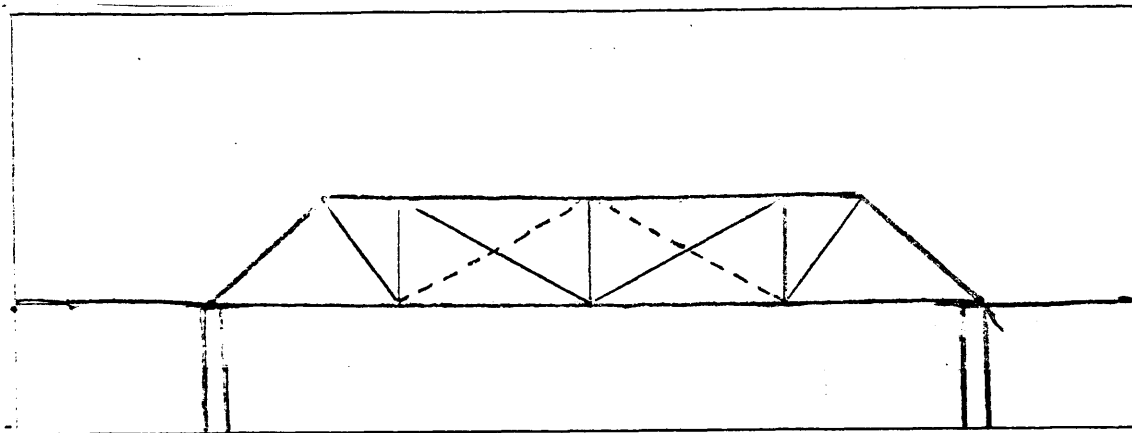
Hip verticals _____

Intermediate posts 4 angle bars laced togetherDiagonals 2 rectilinear eye-barsCounters 1 cylindrical eye-barConnections pinsPiers concrete-filled metal caissonsCondition goodDate of construction 1917Builder unknownSource State Highway Department Bridge Inventory

4. Location of Legal Description

Courthouse, Office of the Chancery Clerk
Registry of Deeds, etc.: Claiborne County Courthouse
Street & Number: Main Street
City, Town: Port Gibson State: Mississippi

Profile Sketch



5. Significance

Level of significance:

Local ____; State x; National ____

Statement of significance:

This bridge consists of one Pratt half-hip pony truss span, which was a type of truss bridge that was commonly used in Mississippi during the early 20th century. It is significant in that it embodies "the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction." It was preserved in 1983 through an agreement with the Claiborne County Board of Supervisors.

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